



Mills Junction to Tooele

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HERE'S A LOOK AT WHAT'S BEEN GOING ON WITH UDOT'S SR-36 PROJECT:

What's Happening:

➡ Phase 2 of the SR-36 reconstruction project consists of widening and resurfacing SR-36 between Mills Junction and Tooele City to two lanes in each direction with a center turn lane and widened shoulders. New traffic signals will be installed at Stansbury Parkway, Erda Way, Bates Canyon Road and 2000 North, and the lighting at the Village Boulevard intersection will be rebuilt. Noise wall installations are planned in two locations; between Stansbury Parkway and Village Boulevard., and in front of the Cottage Glen Assisted Living Center. Also included in construction is a mountable, raised median running through Erda.

SR-36 is the only major route in and out of Tooele City, and as such its importance is highlighted for commuters, residents and businesses located adjacent to it. Much of the construction will be complete by the end of 2004, with the remainder to be concluded in 2005.

What's Been Done So Far?

➡ An Environmental Assessment (EA) was conducted to incorporate community feedback with projected population and traffic increases, impact on the environment, air quality, noise control, economics, and purpose and need. The EA provided technical analysis for identifying project impacts and helped to develop alternative plans for construction.

UDOT spent three years (2000-2003) working with the public to determine the best ways to address current and projected traffic conditions on SR-36. After public meetings and a 30-day open comment period, it was decided that the changes (listed above under "What's Happening") made the most sense for commuters and the surrounding community.

Construction Activities

Thus far in Phase 2, traffic has been positioned in one lane in each direction and moved to one side or the other on the existing pavement. Utility work, surveying, clearing and grubbing, fence removal, and the removal of topsoil began in June on the south end of the project.

Public Information Activities



SR-36 Project "Kickoff"

The official SR-36 Project "Kickoff" and Meet the Contractor Event was held at the Stansbury Park Fire Station on Saturday, June 26. Activities began with an official construction kick-off by state and local officials. Afterwards, attendees met the contractor and construction crews, and visited with UDOT personnel regarding the project.

A Community Coordination Team (CCT) comprised of residents and business owners along the corridor has been formed. CCT members have been asked to disseminate information given by UDOT, the contractor, and the public information manager to neighbors and associates and in turn bring information from these stakeholders to the attention of the SR-36 team in order to facilitate better communication throughout the construction process.

How Will I Be Affected Now?

- The project is under full construction so please expect short traffic delays.
- Single lane traffic in each direction will continue along SR-36 between 1280 N. and Erda Way until August 2005.
- Paving will begin in September between Tooele City and Erda Way marking a milestone in the project and significant progress toward completion.
- The traffic signals at 2000 N. are now operational. Please use caution and be prepared for the changes at that intersection.
- Construction will occur during daylight hours, weather permitting. Changes in hours will be announced as they occur.

What Should I Expect Next?

➡ Much of the construction occurring throughout the months of July and August will continue through the beginning of September. Workers will continue clearing and grubbing, removing topsoil, and surveying. Road excavation will begin on the north end of the project and materials will be hauled in to the south end of the project to prepare for paving in September.

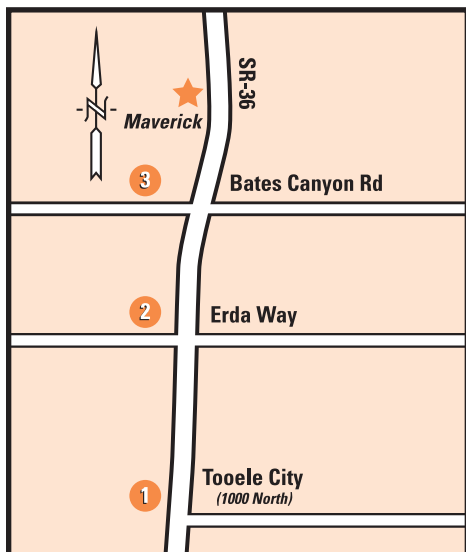
Please remember that construction is a dirty and dusty process. We are watering for dust control as much as possible to increase safety and visibility, but it is important for all drivers to pay extra attention to the road when driving in construction zones.

As the project continues, at intermittent times flaggers may temporarily stop traffic while heavy vehicles enter the highway. Please be patient, obey flagger directions and understand that this measure is taken for drivers' and workers' safety.

Project Timeline

JUNE, JULY and AUGUST

SR-36 Project was awarded to Staker Parson Companies. Traffic restricted to single lane in each direction and moved to one side or the other on the existing pavement. Project under full construction; with flaggers directing traffic through the work zones.



SEPTEMBER

- 1 **Tooele City to Erda Way**
Paving will begin at 1000 N. moving north to Erda Way. 2000 N. traffic signals operational.
- 2 **Erda Way to Bates Canyon**
Continued excavation and hauling road base in preparation for paving.
- 3 **Bates Canyon to the Maverick Gas Station**
Hauling road base in preparation for paving.

OCTOBER - Halfway there - SR-36 reconstruction will be fifty percent complete.

- 1 **Tooele City to Erda Way**
2000 N. Intersection will be completed. Traffic will be moved to the new roadway section.
- 2 **Erda Way to Bates Canyon**
Paving will begin mid-October.
- 3 **Bates Canyon to the Maverick Gas Station**
Paving will begin early October at the Maverick Gas Station moving south to Erda Way.

NOVEMBER

Some work will continue until winter weather closes the project down.

MARCH 2005

Construction will begin on the second half of the roadway.

SR-36 Reconstruction Project scheduled for completion in August, 2005.

What Can I Do to Reduce Congestion and Avoid Delays?

- Please be aware, plan ahead and exercise extra caution and courtesy toward construction crews, other drivers, and pedestrians in these areas.
- Speeding is the number one cause of all accidents in the work zone, so slow down and remember fines double in construction zones.
- Watch for lane restrictions and crews working along the shoulders of SR-36 as construction crews build the new road.

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